Joint Use Task Force
Presentation to New Partners for Smart Growth Conference
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Joint Use Task Force

- First created 1995 by Joint Resolution
- 2000 Joint Resolution endorsing joint use
- Meets monthly (Planning staff convenes)
- Staff from 2 dozen agencies
Joint Resolution adopted by:

- Charlotte City Council
- Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education
- CPCC (community college) Board
- County Library Board
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Joint Resolutions:

• Endorse concepts of joint facility planning and joint use
• Recognize that cost savings can be realized through joint use
• Understand capital decisions (e.g. school placement) cannot be made unrelated to one another and must be coordinated
• Long-range facility master plans should be developed by each agency and coordinated with one another
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#### City membership
- Engineering
- Real Estate
- Budget & Evaluation
- Fire
- Police
- Transit system
- Housing Authority
- Neighborhood & Business Services
- Utilities
- Stormwater
- Dep’t of Transportation
- Planning

#### County membership
- Real Estate
- Finance
- Park & Recreation
- Libraries
- C-M Schools
- Community College
- Budget

#### 6 Mecklenburg towns

#### Not-for-profits
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Purpose and roles:

• Seek collaborative opportunities to:
  - reduce facility development cost
  - reduce operational cost
  - create superior product for community

• Explore means to better align projects in capital plans & facilities needs assessments

• I.D. potential public re-use of surplus public properties

• Single source for “all things capital” in Charlotte-Mecklenburg
Joint use suitability “tests”:

- Publicly-owned land available (& status of)?
- Other public agencies planning investment?
- What uses are “good” fit?
- What is funding status of partners?
- Is coordination possible?
- What type of joint use is possible?
- What obstacles exist?
- Can they be overcome (& at what cost)?
- Do advantages outweigh challenges?
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Joint Use example:

Philip O. Berry high school/branch library
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Joint Use example:

Sterling school/transit parking structure
Joint Use example:

Service center (Police/Job Link/Library)
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Joint Use examples:

- Ballantyne Park (park, elementary school, middle school, Fire Station, YMCA, future library)
- Reedy Creek Park/Fire Station
- Matthews town hall/library
- Sugar Creek service center (Police/Job Link/Library)
- Sterling elementary school/CATS parking structure
- Philip O. Berry high school/branch library
- Many other facilities
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Other Joint Use benefits:

• Real Estate Ledger
• Mandatory Referrals
• Transit corridor implementation teams
• Infrastructure policy initiatives
• Departmental polling
• Knowledge base sharing
• Networking
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